

STATE OF ALASKA

DEPT. OF HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES
DIVISION OF JUVENILE JUSTICE

Sean Parnell, GOVERNOR

Kenai Peninsula Youth Facility
405 Marathon Rd
Kenai, Alaska 99611

Date:

Re: Parent/Guardian Letter

Your son/daughter _____ has been detained at the Kenai Peninsula Youth Facility. The Kenai Peninsula Youth Facility is located at 405 Marathon Rd., Kenai, AK 99611.

Regular visiting hours at the facility are on Wednesday from 6:30pm to 7:30pm and on Sunday from 1:00pm to 2:00pm. To set up a special visit, you must call 335-3102 and coordinate the specific time and day with the Unit Supervisor.

Identification is required for visitation. Visiting is limited to three members of your child's immediate family, and parents must accompany siblings. The Unit Supervisor or the Staff Duty Officer must approve any deviation from this list. Visitors may bring **nothing** onto the unit. There is sufficient reading and writing material available at the facility, so do not bring these items in for your son/daughter. When your son/daughter gains Step II status, they will be eligible to receive a pair of personal shoes. If it is necessary, you may provide them with a pair of shoes with approval from their primary counselor. For special occasions, arrangements must be made with the JJUS for birthday or holiday gifts. Pets are not allowed to be left in parked cars or brought on the facility grounds, except in special circumstances and with the permission of the Superintendent or his designee.

Correspondence is unlimited. Your child may write to you and vice versa as frequently as you wish. Mail from other correctional facilities will not be accepted unless approved by the Superintendent. The Kenai Peninsula Youth Facility cannot accept responsibility for the loss or damage of private property.

Your child has been given the opportunity to make an initial phone call upon admittance to the Kenai Peninsula Youth Facility. Following the initial phone call, he/she may have three personal calls per week, which include incoming and outgoing calls. Only members of your child's immediate family, his/her attorney and probation officer will be allowed phone contact. All personal calls are limited to ten minutes. No personal calls will be made or received during school hours (9:00am to 3:00pm) or after 8:00pm. Phone calls to or from his/her Attorney or Probation officer are not subject to these limitations.

If you wish to contact your son/daughter at the Kenai Peninsula Youth Facility, you may do so by calling (907) 335-3102.

Sincerely,

Steve Kiefer
Superintendent

Juvenile Rights While at KPYF:

All juveniles, no matter the level status or program status will receive the following basic rights. No juvenile shall be denied their basic right except, those who are justifiably related to safety and security and, that are not otherwise deliverable through an alternate means.

- No discrimination due to race, gender, color, national origin, sexual orientation, or disability.
 - Fair and equal treatment
 - A court arraignment within 48 hours of admission.
 - Ability to post bail for some District Court cases (typically Traffic or Fish & Game).
 - Orientation to the facility rules and program within a reasonable time, which is usually within 24 hours.
 - No abuse, harassment, humiliation, interference with sleeping, eating or use of the bathroom.
 - Right to medical and mental health care.
 - Right to due process and a grievance process.
 - Appropriate discipline.
 - Family involved in their care.
 - Visits with parents, guardians, siblings, attorney and minister. Resident will not be forced to visit with anyone absent a court order.
 - Right to contact their attorney (via fax).
 - Right to send and receive mail.
 - One soft-cover religious textbook.
 - School education.
 - An opportunity to have at least 3.5 hours of outdoor (or indoor, depending on weather) exercise per week.
 - One hour each day of structured leisure time outside of their room.
 - Meals.
 - Hygiene.
 - Safe and decent living conditions.
 - Right to remain silent if criminal offense(s) is filed, or may be filed against them.
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- **If a juvenile feels their rights have been violated while at KPYF, they may follow the grievance procedure outlined in the Orientation manual.**